

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 1764**

**PATENT APPLICATION  
Q76812**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Yukihiro KATAI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/634,848

Group Art Unit: 1764

Confirmation No.: 6510

Examiner: Virginia Manoharan

Filed: August 6, 2003

For: METHOD FOR CONCENTRATING SOLUTION

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three (3) months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of November 15, 2006 to May 15, 2007.

The statutory fee of \$1,020.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

SUGHRUE MION, PLLC  
2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20037-3213  
(202) 663-7901

/John H. Mion/  
John H. Mion  
Registration No. 18,879

WASHINGTON OFFICE

**23373**

CUSTOMER NUMBER

Date: April 26, 2007